How Can We Help?

Prayer

We will pray for these requests for two weeks unless notified or updated. Feel free to leave requests on our 24-hour prayer line at 713.335.6456 or HoustonsFirst.org.

) Add this request to the church's public rayer database.	

Pastoral Care

Are you experiencing grief, loneliness, illness, job loss or other life difficulties? The Pastoral Care Ministry provides free and confidential help through the Stephen Ministry. Call 713.957.6762 for assistance, or indicate your interests below:

() I would like a Stephen Minister to call me.

() I am interested in serving as a Stephen Minister.

Don't forget the "Get Connected" section on the other side!

Get Connected (turn over)

Campus Directory & Parking Map



1 Reception Rm

A 1 Bookstore 1 Chapel 1 Connection Center

3 The Loft

1 Pastoral Care

2 Rehearsal Hall 1 Rms 143 & 145 1 Library 3 Rms 330-336 1 Main Fover

1 Welcome Center 1 Preschool Check-In 1 Worship Center

1 Rms 100-108 2 Rms 200-208 1 FBA Primary School 3 Rms 301-303, 319, 322-329 4 Rms 400-408 5 Rms 500-508

1 First Baptist Academy 1 Oasis Rm 1 FBA Library

D 1 Café 1 Christian Life Center 2 Rms 249-270 2 Crafts Rm (270)

1 Fellowship Center 2 Fitness Center

1 Garden Rm

Welcome Centers

3 Student Ministry 1 Welcome Center

*Numbers next to location indicate floor

1 Harbor Rm

3 Rms 362-366



701 N Post Oak

Memorial Dr

Wednesday Nights at Houston's First

MIDLINK CAFÉ

4:45-6:45 pm – Fellowship Center Casual dining with food for all ages! Adults \$6, Sr. Adults \$5 Children (12 & under) \$4.50 Students can buy discount tickets from

Student Ministry for \$3 THE LINK @ 7-8 pm - Oasis Rm Bible study with Curtis Jones

MILESTONES

Visit HoustonsFirst.org/MidLink for fu schedule.

MUSIC REHEARSALS @ 7-8:30 pm

Choir - Rehearsal Hall (open) Singers – Rm 330 (open) Orchestra - Worship Ctr (by audition)

JUST FOR KIDS MISSION FRIENDS

6-7 pm - Birth-4 yrs 6-8:30 pm - Birth-K Check-in in Main Foyer

HIGH 5 KIDS' CHOIR

6-7 pm – Walk-ins welcome! PreK-K – The Clubhouse (Rm 303) 1st -5th – The Loft (Rm 301)

L.I.T. (LEADERS IN TRAINING)

6-7 pm - Rm 404 3rd-5th Grades

BREAKOUT @ 7-8:30 pm - CLC (Gym 1st-5th Grades

JUST FOR STUDENTS

WIRED @ 6:30-8 pm - Rm 364 Middle School students

AMP @ 7-8:30 pm - Rm 363 High School students

Decisions AUG 22, 2010 **SALVATION IN CHRIST**

Todd Ryngala BAPTIZED

Paige Bays Drew Willingham Efron Berrones

FOR BAPTISM Melissa Burgy Karmen San Nicolas Becky Erickson Sammy White

Lavne Rotrame

FROM OTHER FELLOWSHIPS Andrea Burkly Erik Rotramel

Jon Chambers Teresa Chambers Daniel Slate Lauren Crawley Amy Delay **Dustin Delay** Shannon Dillon **Grace Priddy**

Kristah Slate Lauren Somerville Jenn Townsen Paul Townsen Margeaux Wetendorf

Rivers Rice BY STATEMENT Yvonne Ramirez

Births

· Mark and Leslee Lumpkin in the birth of their daughter, Hannah Joy Lumpkin Brothers: Jonathan and Andrew Lumpkin · Chris and Becky Kiser in the birth of their daughter, Karis Jeanette Kiser

Sympathies

• Robert and Carol Bedient in the death of their daughter, Patricia Bridge

· Family and Friends in the death of David Hickman

• Brian and Becky Bauman in the death of her grandmother, Ruth Knutty

• Steve and Vangie Austin in the death of his father, Rev. Tommy Austin; Grandchildren: Madison and Steve Austin

- · Huston (Staff) and Debbie McComb in the death of his uncle, Christopher Provence; Niece: Leah McComb; Nephew: Mark McComb
- Derrel and Marion Jaynes in the death of his mother, Flolynn Jaynes; Grandchildren: Ryan, Stuart, Brent and Holly

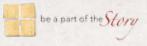
Weekly Summary ATTENDANCE, AUG 22, 2010

Sunday Bible Study 4,115 Mission Bible Study 940 Weekday Bible Study 275 **Total Bible Study** 5,330 Wednesday MidLink 447

GIVING, WEEK ENDING AUG 22, 2010

Tithes & Offering \$235,418 Weekly Requirements \$315,839 Over/(Under) (\$80,421) **Designated Gifts** \$15,695 Over/(Under) for Aug (\$102,320) Over/(Under) Fiscal YTD (\$272,925)

Capital Campaign



WEEK ENDING AUG 22, 2010

Total Pledged \$25,444,592 **Donations Received** \$30,158 **TOTAL RECEIVED** \$18,576,301

Weekend Worship

Aug 29, 2010

Sundays 9:30 am

11 am 6:30 pm

Sunday **Bible Study** 8:20 am

9:30 am 10:45 am 5:15 pm

Sunday Kids' Worship

9:30 am 11 am 6:30 pm

HOUSTON'S FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH



New & Prospective Member Orientation • Sun, Sep 12

HoustonsFirst.org • 713.681.8000 • 7401 Katy Freeway • Houston, TX 77024

Pastor Gregg Matte

Dear Church Family & Guests,

Thank you for the cards. emails, Facebook comments and good ol' faceto-face birthday wishes this past week! As I mentioned in my message last Sunday, I turned 40 this past Tuesday. Your kind words and encouragement were vet another example of why I love our church so much—and why I am so blessed and thankful to be your pastor.

I invite you to come forward at the conclusion of the worship service. Staff members and I are available to talk with you about becoming a Christian, being baptized, or joining our church. And if it's your birthday today, I would love to wish you a "Happy Birthday!" in person, too!

How Can We Pray For You?

Share your requests the following ways and we'll add them to our online prayer database!

- Click "Find Help" at HoustonsFirst.org
- Text "PRAYFIRST [your name and requests]" to 41411
- Call our Prayerline at 713.335.6456
- Complete the attached "How Can We Help?" card
- Visit the Prayer, Missions & Connection Center

Need to Contact Us?

To contact HFBC staff, call 713.681.8000 (Mon-Fri, 8-4:30 pm) or email FirstName.LastName@HoustonsFirst.org.



Nearly 1,200 people are fed each month through the Food Pantry at HFBC's Faith Center. On the first Sunday of each month, food donations are collected here at Houston's First to support this vital ministry. Bring non-perishable items next Sun, Sep 5, and leave them on collection tables in the CLC Lobby. the South Tower elevator lobby, or outside the Garden Rm. CONTACT 713,554,8801.

Latest News & Updates NEW & PROSPECTIVE MEMBER ORIENTATION

Whether you've recently joined or just visited Houston's First, come learn what it means to be a part of a relevant biblical community on Sun, Sep 12 Meet Pastor Gregg and other staff members and enjoy either lunch at noon or light snacks at 5 pm **REGISTER** HoustonsFirst.org/NewMember. **CONTACT** Malcolm.Marshall@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.335.6453.

DEACONS MEETINGS

The Deacon Administrative Committee meets today at 2:30 pm in Rm 249. The entire Deacon body wil meet at 3:30 pm in the Chapel.

CHURCH CONFERENCE

This monthly gathering meets today at 4:30 pm in the Chapel. The meeting covers church financial and membership reports, as well as other information. Anyone may attend, but only members of HFBC may vote.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Next Sun, Sep 5, we'll follow our regular Sunday schedule with all worship services and Bible studies.

Gather Our Hearts

Churchwide

HFBC NIGHT AT MINUTE MAID PARK

Fri, Sep 17 @ 7:05 pm

Watch the Astros vs. the Reds as we celebrate Pastor Gregg's 40th birthday! (His actual birthday was Aug 24.) Pastor Gregg will throw out the first pitch, and after the game you can enjoy the regular Friday Night Fireworks COST \$10 per person includes ticket and t-shirt. REGISTER HoustonsFirst.org/Astros or in Main Fover on Sundays. CON-TACT Elizabeth, Trask@HoustonsFirst.org, 713,957,5891.

Summit Young Single Adults SUMM-IT UP

Today @ Noon & 7:45 pm - Oasis

Come for an all-American cookout and sneak peak of opportunities awaiting young single adults this fall - flag football, Texas-style hoedown and more! Enjoy a great burger then stick around for volleyball, basketball, bowling, or just some hang-out time. COST \$6 at the door, first time guests free. VISIT SummitYoungSingles.org. CONTACT Holly. Crain@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7671.

SUMMIT FIELD DAY

713.957.7671.

Labor Day Mon, Sep 6 @ 10 am-2:30 pm - Faith Ctr Fields Relive the games you played in elementary school: water balloon toss, crab walk relay and tug-of-war. Join your class team and compete for fun and prizes as you play like a kid again! After the games, enjoy a cookout with burgers, hot dogs, and more. COST \$10. REGISTER HoustonsFirst.org/ FieldDay. CONTACT Ryan.McPhetridge@HoustonsFirst.org

SINGLE PARENTS FAMILY CAMP

Sep 17-19 - Lake Tomahawk

All single parent families are invited to have fun while growing closer to God and their family. Activities include boating

on the lake, swimming, water trampoline, agua slide, climb- **SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES** ing wall, and more! COST Adults \$68, children ages 12-18 Each week, thousands of people go deeper into God's fathers in the family, in the church and in the commu-\$38, children ages 5-11 \$28, children ages 4 and under are Word in Sunday Bible studies, and experience community nity. **REGISTER** HoustonsFirst.org/Men. **CONTACT** Rick free. REGISTER HoustonsFirst.org/SingleParentFamilies. along the way. Stop by the Welcome Center for help finding Wertz at Rick@FaithfulFathering.org, 281.491.3237 **CONTACT** Holly.Crain@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7671.

Fitness & Recreation **BOWLING LEAGUE**

Every Mon & Thu @ 6:30-8:30 pm - HFBC Bowling Lanes Beginners and experienced bowlers alike are welcome to join Houston's First Bowling League as it begins this week! **CONTACT** Ron Lee, 713.682.5358.

Worship Ministry IMAGO PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

Sat, Sep 11 @ 10 am-Noon – Rehearsal Hall

Learn the skills needed to take your Single Lens Reflex camera beyond the "Auto" setting at this special photography workshop: Taming The SLR. Jack Potts, professional photographer and founder of Bohemian Photography, will teach the basic manual operations of the camera and the elements of exposure. This class is open to all. COST Free CONTACT Steve.Knox@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.5886

Grow Our Souls

Churchwide SHAPING YOUR CHILD'S SEXUAL CHARACTER

Sat, Sep 18 @ 8:30 am-Noon - Fellowship Ctr

Parents of children birth-7th grade are invited to be encouraged and equipped to successfully answer their child's early guestions about sex. Stanton & Brenna Jones, authors Men's Ministry of How & When To Tell Your Kids About Sex, will share a life- CHILL TIME WITH DAD long approach to shaping your child's sexual character. Sep 11 @ 8:30 am-12:30 pm - Worship Ctr Also, learn how to teach godly values regarding this subject Middle School and High School students and their in age-appropriate ways. Childcare available with advance dads are invited to this citywide event by Faithful Faregistration. COST Free! VISIT HoustonsFirst.org/Events. thering. The morning includes worship, breakout ses-CONTACT Rae.Edwards@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.7622. sions, and father/son discussion time. Faithful Father-

a Bible study that's right for you, or visit HoustonsFirst.org/ BibleStudies and explore the options on your own. Here's some to consider:

- Palabras de Vida @ 9:30 am Rm 602 For adults of all ages
- Challengers @ 10:45 am Rm 602 For adults ages 57-69
- The Rising @ 10:45 am Rm 331 For couples married 2-15 years
- His Glory @ 10:45 am Rm 274C For adults 52-60 years

HIGHPOINT BIBLE STUDY

Wed, Sep 1 @ 11:30 am - 1010 Lamar (lower level) Executive Pastor David Self will speak at this week's downtown Bible study. Lunch begins at 11:30 am for \$8, an Bible study takes place from 12:10-12:40 pm. CONTACT Diane.Bagby@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.6781.

Corner Books PAGE 19 BOOK CLUB

Begins Wed, Sep 1 @ 6-7 pm - Corner Books

This new book club meets the first Wed of each month and focuses on specific authors rather than titles. That way, participants can choose the book they want to read! VISIT HoustonsFirst.org/CornerBooks or stop by to sign up. CON-TACT Shirley.Dodson@HoustonsFirst.org, 713.957.5822.

ing encourages and equips dads to step up as faithful



Missions

MISSION TRIPS

Visit HoustonsFirst.org/MissionTrips to learn more:

- Russia Orphanage (Oct 6-15)
- Spain (Oct 20-Nov 1)

FAITH CENTER DEDICATION AND OPEN HOUSE

Sat, Oct 17 @ 2-5 pm - Faith Center

Mark your calendars and save the date as our church officially celebrates and dedicates the Faith Center of HFBC to the glory of God. VISIT HoustonsFirst.org/FaithCenter. **CONTACT** 713.554.8801.

Legacy685 Adoption & Orphan Care ADOPTION PANEL

Today @ 5-6:20 pm - Rm 251

Anyone considering adoption is invited to this open forum and question and answer session concerning domestic adoption, foster to adopt, international adoption and foster care. Light snacks and drinks are provided VISIT HoustonsFirst.org/Legacy685.

Volunteer

Visit us online at HoustonsFirst.org/Volunteer for ways you can serve! Here are a few opportunities available immediately: Office Aide (Young Single Adults), MidLink Meal Team (Culinary Services), GriefShare Support (Pastoral Care), Highpoint Helpers (Executive Pastor), Farm & Ranch Volunteer Team (Hunt Retreat) and Graphic/Web Designers, Photographers, and Production Assistants (Creative Services).

Creating a worshipful environment. Worship requires our full attention. We ask that you: >> not bring food or drinks in the Worship Center >> silence cell phones >> use the restroom before the service (take your children, too!) >> remain seated once our time of Bible study begins. If you must leave during the service, you may either: reenter through the rear doors and find a new seat in the back or watch the remainder of the service on a monitor in the Main Foyer. At the end of the worship service, people will be invited to accept Christ or join the church. Please remain in the Worship Center during this time. Pastor Gregg and other worshipers will appreciate your thoughtfulness.



Remember to pray for the thousands of names written on the floor of the Worship Center. Share and read stories of God's faithfulness at HoustonsFirst.org/Prayer.